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Indiana Division of Forestry – Group Chain-of-Custody Certificate  
Policy for Sourcing Wood, Wood Fiber and Pulp for All Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)  
Certified Products

It is the policy of the Indiana Division of Forestry and all members of the FSC Group Chain-of-Custody Certificate to avoid using wood from forest areas where traditional or civil rights are violated; forest areas where high conservation values are threatened by management activities; wood from forests in which genetically modified trees are planted; wood that has been harvested illegally or wood harvested from areas which have been converted from natural forest to plantations or non-forest uses. The Indiana Division of Forestry has appointed Carl Hauser, Property Programs Specialist as the contact person responsible for implementing this policy. If it is demonstrated that any member of the Indiana Division of Forestry Group Chain-of-Custody Certificate is using wood from such sources in its FSC certified products, we will promptly take appropriate actions, including stopping purchases from such sources. The Indiana Division of Forestry and all group members are committed to making best efforts to identify the sources of wood used for products labeled according to the FSC rules, and to establish the origin of materials used in the products affected with sufficient geographical resolution to ensure compliance with the policy. If it proves impossible to identify the origin of some of these raw materials, we are committed to replacing them with materials which can be sourced with confidence. Our sourcing policy requires us to verify and monitor our sources, the proportions of raw materials which have not yet been verified, and the steps being taken to replace materials of unknown origin.

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